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ABSTRACT

This book addresses the issue of multicultural education and the political battles waged over it in U.S. schools. The volume examines the perspectives of both advocates and critics and applauds the true meaning of multiculturalism equality of opportunity and social justice. The fear is there is pulling away from certain cultural norms traditionally used for upward social mobility and that multiculturalism has become a dictatorship of virtue with lasting ramifications for society's future. The book contains nine chapters divided into the three parts followed by an epilogue. Chapters are: (1) "Elementary Diversity"; (2) "Places of Memory"; (3) "Advanced Sensitivity"; (4) "Notebook"; (5) "Otherness in Queens"; (6) "The Search for Sin"; (7) "The Secret Victory"; (8) "The Battle of Brookline and Other Struggle over Young Minds"; and (9) "The Battle of Texas." The epilogue is entitled "The Empty Fortress." (EH)

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